



Buckland School Newsletter



Buckland School is committed to providing quality education that engages all students fully in a wide range of learning experiences that will assist them in preparing for the challenges of the future.

Week 6 Term 3 2025

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Dear Parents and Community Members

Tena Koutou

- ◆ **Buckland School Values:** Respect, Resilience, Responsibility
- ◆ **Attendance Issue 5— Next snippet from the Ministry of Education slide show on attendance.**

Unjustified Absences

An **unjustified** absence, is recorded when a student is away from school and:

- ◆ There is no information or there is a throw-away excuse.
- ◆ Explained but not within school policy.
- ◆ Absence due to birthdays or family holiday in term-time.
- ◆ Extracurricular activities not organised by school like sports, dance, music, or hobbies.

NZEI Union Meeting for Teachers

This is to take place this Thursday 21 August for teachers who are union members. School will remain **OPEN**, however if you are able to support us by picking your child up at **1.30p.m.** it would assist with the cover for children whose teachers are attending. Please let teachers know so children can be ready.

We will be changing our timetable to accommodate this on Thursday.

- ◆ **Nigel Latta Evening—Have you got your tickets for the Parenting Evening with Nigel Latta?—if you haven't yet** booked for the **free** event on 28 August at 6.30 p.m. at the Pukekohe Indian Hall with Nigel Natta see details over. This event for parents is highly recommended and will help you navigate the demands of being a parent.
- ◆ **Next Week's Newsletter** will be emailed and on Website and our School Loop App on the Tuesday (not the normal Monday).
- ◆ **Enrolments for 2026**—At the School Board Meeting on 3 September members will need to decide whether to hold a ballot for 2026 and if so how many places we will need to offer. It is important that we have spaces for our existing students first and that we know of others in our zone who will be enrolling and haven't yet contacted us. If you know of students in the area please let us know. Year 6 students will receive a separate note today asking for indication of their plans for next year. Please return this by Wednesday 27 August.

- ◆ **Agricultural Day Project**—All children from Year 4 to Year 8 who are not showing an animal for Ag Day are required to complete the Ag Day project—a cultural themed fence picket. Details of the project have been given to children and can also be found on the school website under Agricultural Day. Pickets are available from the school office for \$5.00 each.



Thank you to:

- ◆ Parents who visited classes during the Open Morning. It was great to see so many of you viewing normal class lessons.
- ◆ Parents who assisted with transport and supervision at the Franklin Cross Country event.
- ◆ Parents and students who attended the Yr 7 & 8 Information Evening.
- ◆ Whanau who joined us for the School Assembly on Friday.
- ◆ Children who are wearing uniforms correctly and taking pride in their appearance.

Congratulations to:

- ◆ All students who represented North Group at the Franklin event last week. A special congratulations to the following students who received awards: Yr 5 boys 1st—Austin, 6th Carter. North Group Yr 5 boys team 1st—Austin, Carter, Owen. North Group Yr 5 girls team 1st—Frankie who was 7th in the race. Yr 6 girls team—2nd—Shea. Yr 7 boys team—1st—Jak.
- ◆ The following students who received awards at last week's school assembly: **Piwakawaka:** Lachy, Leo, Nell, Damian, **Titipounamu:** Madison, Bowie, Evander, Primrose, Isla, Adeline, **Ruru:** Mase, Manjaap, Lucy, Bonnie, Jasper, **Kereru:** Eli, Heath, Willa-Grace, Poppy, **Takahe:** Marco, Flo, Aubree, Liam, **Kakapo:** Alby, Cheryl, Owen, Terena, **Karearea:** Trinity, Logan, Charlie, Eva, **Weka:** Ella, Harper, Isla, Freddy, **Kea:** Anders, Roxy, Jae Suzzane, Zoe, Swade, Zachary, Ryan, Te Atawhai
Principal's Award: Anders in Kea
Lion Award: Lucy in Ruru, Mia S., Madison, Ava in Titipounamu
School Values Awards: Summer & Lucia in Kakapo, Conrad in Karearea, Te-Ariki in Weka
- ◆ The following students who received Athletics certificates at last week's assembly: **Kea:** Jae Suzzane, **Weka:** Ella, **Karearea:** Shea, **Kakapo:** Kayden, **Takahe:** Flo, **Kereru:** Morrison, **Ruru:** Bodhi, **Titipounamu:** Quincy, Holly.

*Have a super learning week!
Kindest Regards
Mavis Glasgow (Principal)*


Events for This Week

- ⇒ Tues 19 Aug—PTA Meeting—6.30p.m. All Welcome (Option to join an online meeting also)
- ⇒ Wed 20 Aug—Yr 7 & 8 Technology at Pukekohe Intermediate. Bus leaves at 8.45a.m. Shoes must be worn.
- ⇒ Wed 20 Aug—Launchpad/Values programme
- ⇒ Wed 20 Aug—Hearing/Vision testing for selected children.
- ⇒ Thurs 21 Aug—Jump Jam/Fitness circuit (weather permitting)
- ⇒ Thurs 21 Aug—Sushi lunch orders
- ⇒ Thurs 21 Aug—Otago Maths Challenge—Test 5.
- ⇒ Thurs 21 Aug—NZEI Teacher Union Meeting—1.30p.m.
- ⇒ Fri 22 Aug—Auckland Year 7 & 8 Cross Country
- ⇒ Fri 22 Aug—Yr 0—2 Team Assembly 2.20p.m. in Titipounamu. Yr 3 & 4 Team Assembly—2.30p.m. in school hall. **All Welcome**


Events for Next Week

- ⇒ Tues 26 Aug & Fri 29 Aug—Breakfast Club
- ⇒ Wed 27 Aug—Launchpad/Values programme
- ⇒ Thurs 28 Aug — Jump Jam/Fitness circuit
- ⇒ Thurs 28 Aug—Sushi lunch orders
- ⇒ Thursday 28 August—Nigel Latta evening
- ⇒ Fri 29 Aug—Yr 7 & 8 Mathex competition
- ⇒ Fri 29 Aug—Daffodil Day
- ⇒ Fri 29 Aug - School Assembly 2.30p.m. **All Welcome**

Community Notices



SUSHI LUNCHES
EVERY THURSDAY



Details on how to order and the menu are on the school website under School Lunches

Pukekohe High School Open Evening

Please be advised that due to PPTA strike action on 20 August, our Y8 Enrolment Evening has been **postponed**. We will now hold this event on **Wednesday 27 August** (3.45pm to 5.45pm).

From the PTA

Ag Day Cake Stall

Every year we have a cake stall for Ag Day. We would be grateful if every family could bake two trays of homemade baking of either cakes, muffins, slices, loaves or biscuits.

Trays & labels will be supplied to every family leading up to Ag Day.

Baking can be delivered to the school hall on **Friday 19 September** before or after school, or early Saturday morning. Feel free to bake and freeze ahead of time. The P.T.A really appreciates your support. **THANK YOU!!**



BOOKS, GAMES, PUZZLES WANTED!

We need **GOOD QUALITY** books (kids, adult, fiction & non-fiction) & games (board games/family games) to sell at the Ag Day book stall.

Please feel free to drop at the School office or message Louise 021 1147 133 to sort a collection point.

Please **NO** books with missing pages.

Wanted for Ag Day Stall

Good condition washed stuffed toys

Please drop to the office

or contact Lauren 027 4273197

or Steph 021 845 631

Thanks!

GROCERY RAFFLE

Thank you to all the families who have sold their raffle books and returned the books and money.

A reminder that all books and money need to be returned by Friday 5 September to the drawer in the office foyer.



THRIVING TAMARIKI PUKEKOHE

Free EVENT FOR PARENTS

Highlights



Guest Speaker
Nigel Latta
Clinical Psychologist & Author

Free sausage sizzle ◀
Food Trucks on site for kai purchase
Local service stalls ◀
Explore support services available
Free Childcare available ◀
Provided by Kids After School
Book your space (09) 236 4078

About Our Event!

An evening focused on parenting, building resilience, and awahi. Supporting strong, thriving tamariki in our community!

Thursday, 28 August 2025

Event starts: 6.30 pm
Doors open from 5.45 pm
Pukekohe Indian Hall

Register Here >
<https://www.trybooking.com/lnzYCA>

SCAN HERE



Our Community Providers:



